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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.97 and 1.98, applicants and their attorney respectfully request that the following patent publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, be made of record in the official United States Patent and Trademark Office file relating to the above-identified application.

Foreign Patent Publication

International Patent Publication No. WO 97/46178

The above-listed patent publication was cited in a European Search Report issued in connection with applicants' corresponding European application (i.e., EP 02

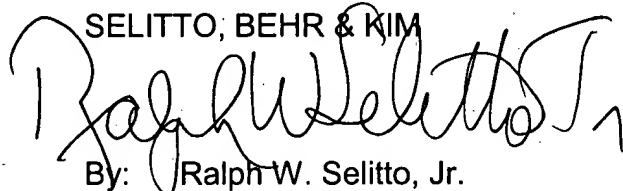
25 4457), which was published as European Patent Publication No. EP 1 270 025 A3 on March 26, 2003. The attached copy of the European Search Report provides an indication as to the relevance of the reference listed therein. More particularly, the European Search Report assigns a category "A" designation (i.e., a document of technological background) to the reference cited therein. In the foregoing circumstances, additional comments concerning the relevance of the foregoing patent publication is considered unnecessary.

In order to facilitate the Examiner's citation of the patent publication listed above, applicants' attorney has completed United States Patent and Trademark Office Form PTO-1449. The completed Form is attached hereto for the Examiner's convenience.

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